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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Sir:

Pursuant to Sections 1.97 and 1.98 of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations, record is hereby made of published prior art which the United States Patent and Trademark Office may wish to consider during examination of the above-entitled application. No representation is made or intended that a prior art search was conducted, or that no better art than that listed is available.

U.S. Patent Documents - No., Date, Name

3,504,924	Apr. 7, 1970	Nesbit
4,730,569	Mar. 15, 1988	Colson
4,918,853	Apr. 24, 1990	Bascom et al.
5,282,520	Feb. 1, 1994	Walker
5,295,556	Mar. 22, 1994	Mullin
5,575,490	Nov. 19, 1996	Simpson, Jr.
5,577,746	Nov. 26, 1996	Britton
5,897,131	Apr. 27, 1999	Brown et al.
6,161,850	Dec. 19, 2000	James et al.
6,408,962	Jun. 25, 2002	Ryckman

Foreign Patent Documents - No., Date, Country

None

Publications - Author, Title, Date, Pages, Place

Cabela's 2003 Winter Master Catalog, "Fold-A-Sled", Pg. 101

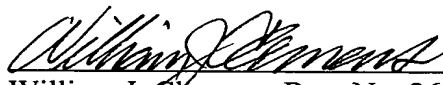
Cabela's 2003 Winter Master Catalog, "Jet Sled", Pg. 153

The relevance of each of the U.S. Patent No. 3,504,924, the U.S. Patent No. 5,295,556 and the U.S. Patent No. 5,897,131 is set forth on page 1 of Applicant's specification. The other patent references and the publications relate in general to load carrying devices.

A copy of each of the publication references is enclosed herewith along with Form PTO-1449. It is requested that all of the listed references be fully considered and made of record in this case.

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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		
		Cabela's 2003 Winter Master Catalog, "Fold-A-Sped", Pg. 101
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